

A Method For Inhibiting Tumor Invasion or Spreading in a Subject

5      Abstract of the Disclosure

The present invention provides for a method for inhibiting tumor invasion or metastasis in a subject which comprises administering to the subject a therapeutically effective amount of a form of soluble Receptor for Advanced Glycation Endproducts (RAGE). The present invention also provides a method for evaluating the ability of an agent to inhibit tumor invasion in a local cellular environment which comprises: (a) admixing with cell culture media an effective amount of the agent; (b) contacting a tumor cell in cell culture with the media from step (a); (c) determining the amount of spreading of the tumor cell culture, and (d) comparing the amount of spreading of the tumor cell culture determined in step (c) with the amount determined in the absence of the agent, thus evaluating the ability of the agent to inhibit tumor invasion in the local cellular environment. The present invention also provides a pharmaceutical composition which comprises a therapeutically effective amount of the agent evaluated in the aforementioned method and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.